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Re: New Patent Application of: Miki SASAKI and Atsushi IKENO

Title: NUMERICAL EXPRESSION RETRIEVING DEVICE

Sir:

Please find attached hereto an application for patent which includes:

- [x] Specification, Claims and Abstract in Japanese-language (21 Pages)
- [x] 8 Sheets of informal Drawings in Japanese-language (Fig. 1 through Fig. 8)
- [x] Claim for priority (priority document to be submitted later).

In view of the above, it is requested that this application be accorded a filing date pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 1.53(b).

The right of priority is claimed under 35 USC §119 of Japanese Application No. 2002-345060, filed November 28, 2002.

The English-language Specification, Claims and Abstract, English-language formal drawings, a Declaration signed by the inventor, and the filing fee will be submitted in due course.

Respectfully submitted,

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